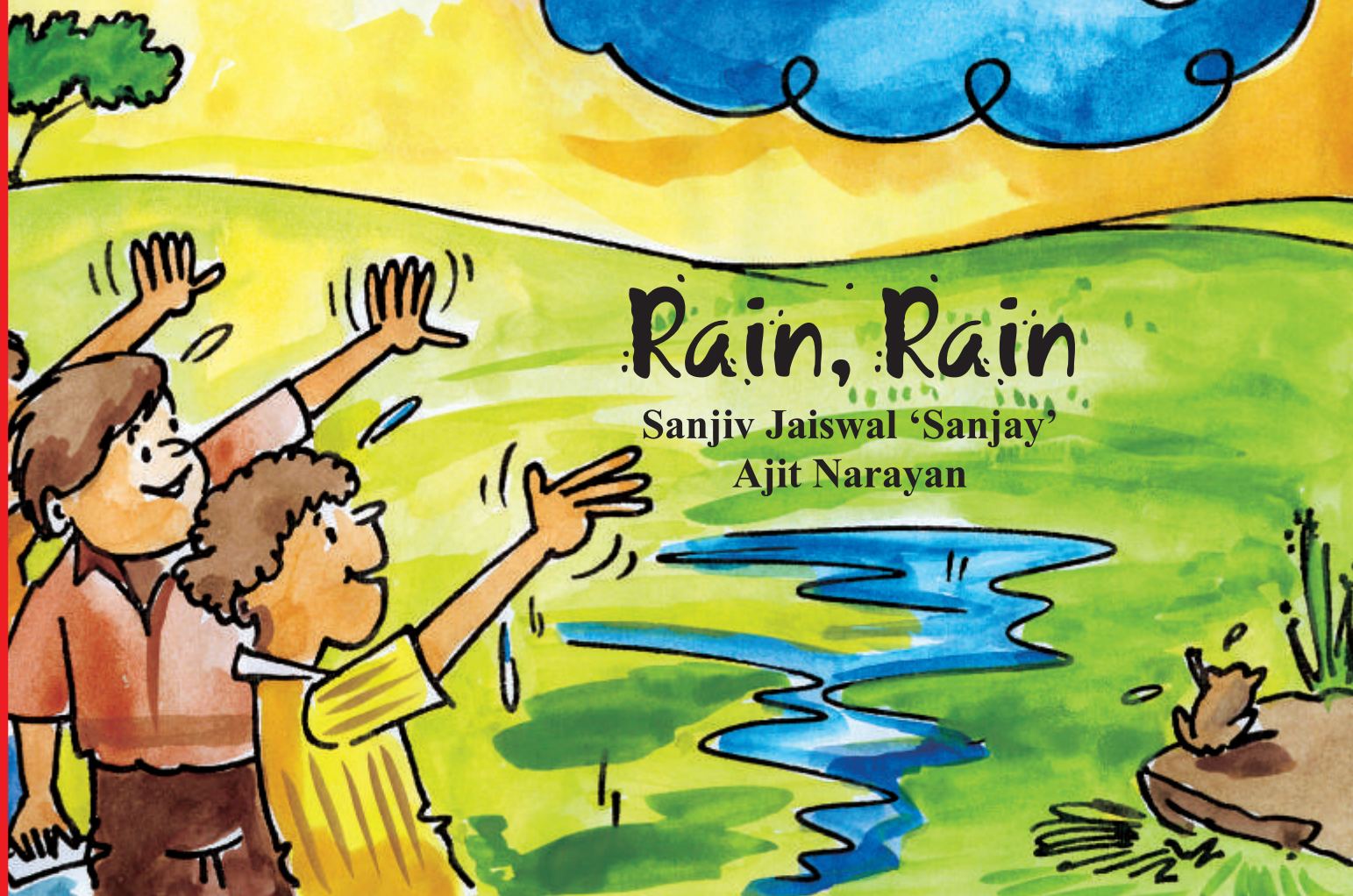


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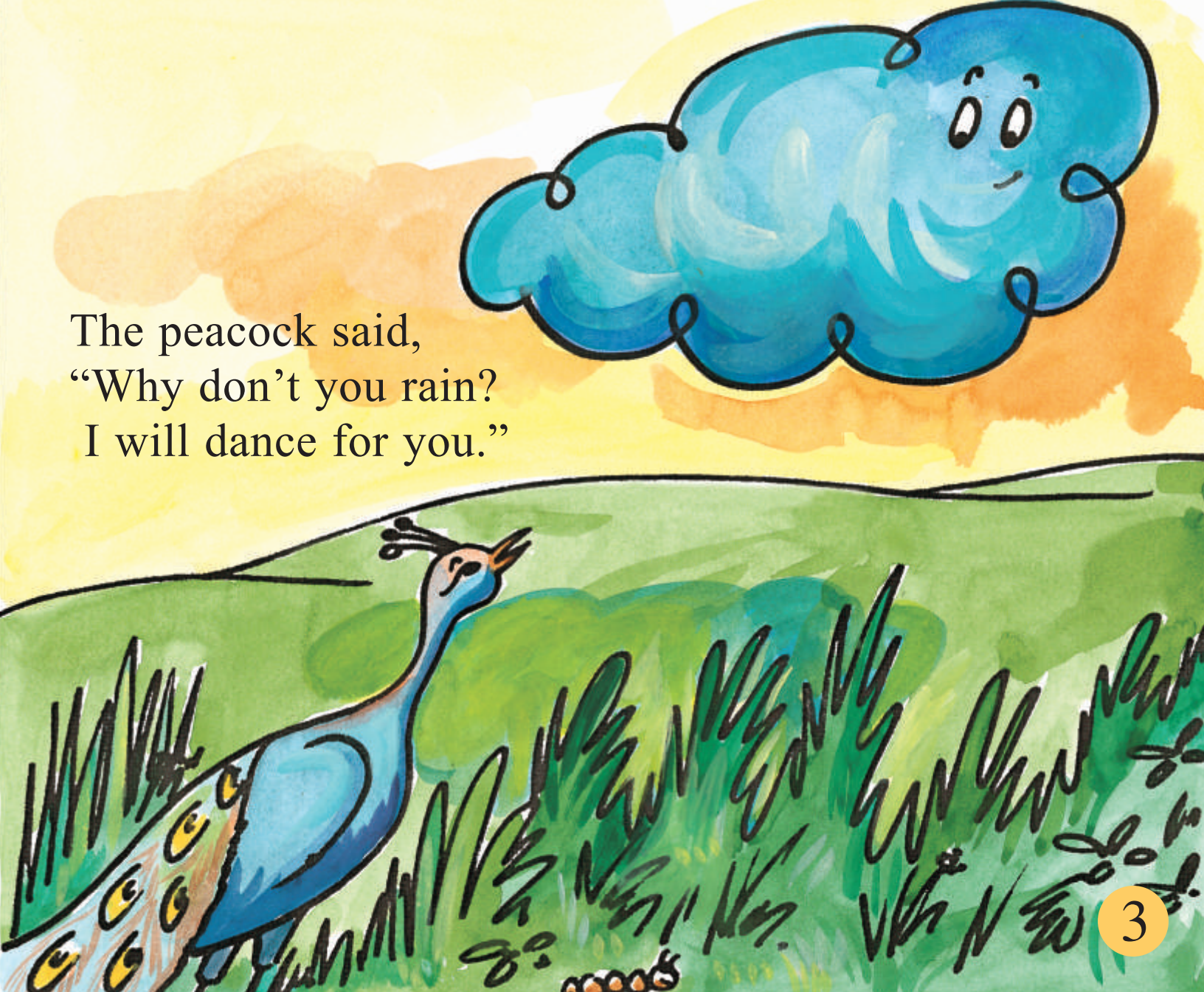
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A cloud rolled along
merrily in the sky.

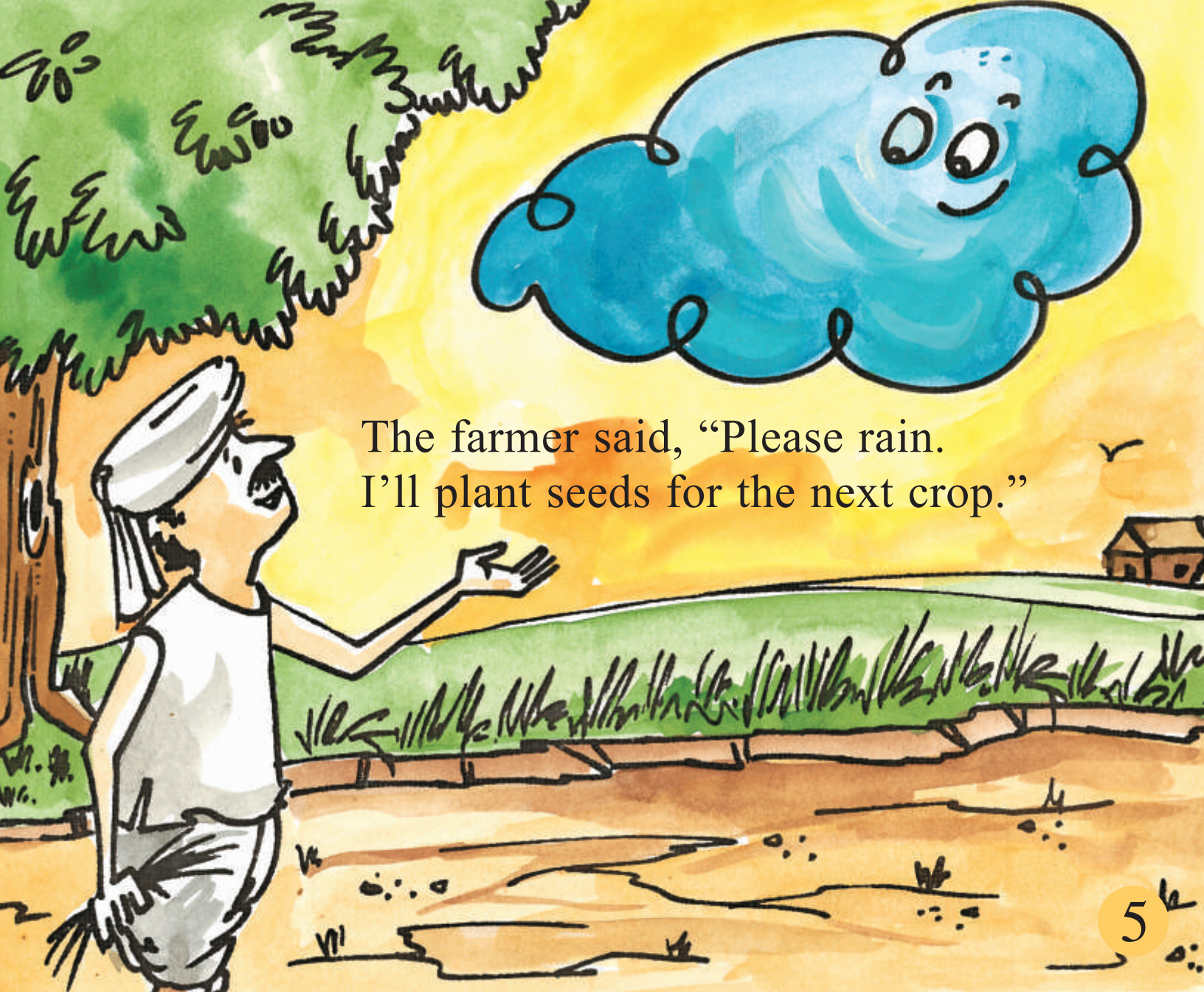


The peacock said,
“Why don’t you rain?
I will dance for you.”




The fish said,
“Please rain.
I need more water.”





The farmer said, “Please rain.
I’ll plant seeds for the next crop.”



Raju said, “If you rain,
I’ll sail paper boats.”



The cloud rained
in a shower of
shimmering
drops.

The peacock spread
its pretty feathers
and danced.



The pond filled up.
The fish was happy.






The farmer started
planting seeds.

Splish! Splash! Splosh!
Raju and his friends
had a wonderful time
in the puddles.



A whimsical illustration of a bright blue sky with a large, smiling cloud. Below the cloud is a green hill with various flowers and a small butterfly. The text is placed within the sky and on the hill.

The cloud filled everybody's
heart with joy.
It moved on.

All the children
waved goodbye.



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Roll along with the cloud as it brings rain and joy!

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